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TO : Col. D. H. GALLOWAY

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FROM : Security Division, SSU

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SUBJECT: Conference with FBI officials re proposed investigative arrangements.

25X1A9a 1. On 25 September 1946 from 2 to 4:30 PM, Mr. Edward SAUNDERS, Mr. [REDACTED] Col. Claude BARTON and the undersigned attended a conference with Messrs. ROSEN and CALLAN of the FBI in Mr. ROSEN's office. The subject of discussion was the working arrangement relative to investigation services which the FBI could perform for and on behalf of the Security Division, CIG.

2. Mr. ROSEN opened the discussion with a statement in which he pointed out how very anxious the Director of the FBI was to furnish to CIG complete investigations requested by CIG and to furnish such investigations within a two week period of time. According to Mr. ROSEN, the only type of investigations which the FBI can perform on behalf of the CIG are straight applicant investigations. In all such cases, agents will be instructed to give them highest priority and do a thorough job. However, Mr. ROSEN, when questioned concerning the possibility of conducting undercover investigations in certain cases or investigations in which no government interest should be shown, advised that this would not be possible. He stated that all investigations would be performed by FBI agents who would present their credentials to each person or source of whom inquiry might be made. Mr. ROSEN also indicated that it would not be possible to perform surveillance type investigations or additional work of any type in situations where such investigations might be necessary due to circumstances arising after an individual had been employed by CIG. The arrangement as outlined also prohibits the type of quick investigation of a subject concerning whom a CIG official might like to have information prior to an interview on a matter of great importance. Mr. ROSEN indicated that there might be a slight possibility that the FBI could assist the CIG in surveillance type investigations of its personnel but pointed out that such a case is an administrative type of investigation and should properly be handled by the agency concerned. He stated that should such an occasion arise, arrangements might be possible but would have to be made through channels at that time.

3. In brief, it appears that the arrangement with the FBI will cover only routine applicant investigations and will, therefore, fall far short of the requirements of the Security Division, CIG. It is recommended that the Security Division, CIG, establish its own staff for purposes of handling the following types of investigative matters which develop with a fair degree of regularity:

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a. Undercover investigations of personnel being recruited for permanent deep cover assignments.

b. Surveillances and other types of discreet investigations of personnel attached to CIG the basis for which develops after the individual has been employed by CIG.

c. That type of rapid investigation needed where an individual contacts a high echelon official of CIG with some important proposal and the CIG official desires some background information concerning this individual prior to entering into discussion with him.

d. Investigations of business concerns and officials of business concerns necessitated by certain B Deputy operations.

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